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Blackett, et al.
Serial No. 10/024,896
Filing Date: December 17, 2001
"METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MASTER SLAVE PROTOCOL
COMMUNICATION IN AN INTELLIGENT ELECTRONIC DEVICE"

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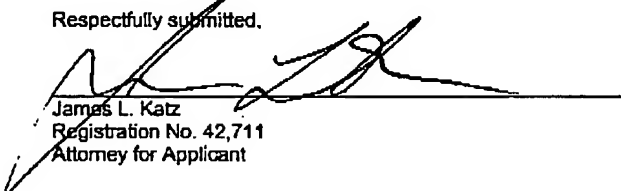
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- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
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- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Respectfully submitted,


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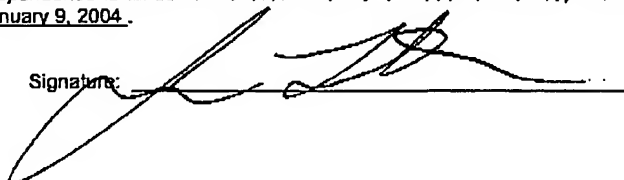
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15 In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 10, 2003, please enter the
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